ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 06 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-06-13

There will be a commercial salmon fishing period in the following sections of the **Alitak District** at the following dates and times:

- The Olga Bay Section, from 6:00 a.m. Thursday, June 20 to 9:00 a.m. Saturday, June 22;
- The Moser Bay Section, from noon Thursday, June 20 to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, June 22:
- The Alitak Bay Section, from 6:00 p.m. Thursday, June 20 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday, June 22; and,
- The Cape Alitak and Humpy-Deadman sections from 6:00 a.m. Friday, June 21 to 9:00 a.m. Sunday, June 23.

The Inner Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District will be extended until further notice beginning 9:00 p.m. Thursday June 20.

There will be a <u>33-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period, from **noon Friday**, **June 21** to **9:00 p.m. Saturday**, **June 22** in the following areas:

- The Eastside Kodiak District;
- The Northwest Afognak, Pauls Bay, and Perenosa Bay sections of the Afognak District; and
- The **Big River** and **Outer Kukak sections** of the **Mainland District**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** from **noon Friday**, **June 21** until **9:00 p.m. Saturday**, **June 22** in the following areas:

- At **Kaflia Creek** (stream #262-301) to the stream terminus.
- At **Saltery Creek** (stream # 259-415) to the stream terminus.

Closed waters will be **reduced** <u>until further notice</u> for **subsistence gear**, at **Saltery Creek** (stream# 259-415) to the stream terminus beginning **noon Friday June 21**.

As Previously Announced:

The Outer Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District will close at 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 19.

The following areas will remain **open until further notice**:

- The Outer Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The Central and North Cape sections of the Northwest Kodiak District;
- The Southwest Afognak, Southeast Afognak, Inner Kitoi, Outer Kitoi, Duck Bay, and Izhut Bay sections of the Afognak District;
- The Foul Bay Special Harvest Area; and
- The Waterfall Bay Special Harvest Area.

In that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, <u>until further notice</u>, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **reduced until further notice** in the following locations:

- At Karluk Lagoon's exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #255-101).
- In **Foul Bay** to the stream terminus at Hidden Lake Creek (stream #251-406);
- In **Waterfall Bay** to the stream terminus at Little Waterfall Creek (stream #251-822) and to the stream terminus at Big Waterfall Creek (stream #251-821);
- In **Kitoi Bay** to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324);
- In Chiniak Bay, for subsistence fishing, at the Buskin River at the exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline.
- In Afognak Bay, for subsistence fishing to the ADF&G subsistence salmon markers located at the old bridge; and
- **In Afognak Bay, for commercial fishing** to the ADF&G commercial salmon markers located at the lagoon outlet.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.